Mental health care

571. SHRI S.P.M. SYED KHAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are giving least consideration for mental health care as the living conditions of the mentally ill people are pathetic and their rights are not respected;

(b) the details of the existing mechanism by Government to monitor the mental health centres in the country; and

(c) the steps being taken by Government to provide a better environment and health care for the mentally ill people?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (c) No, Sir. The Central Government supplements the efforts of the State Governments in promoting mental health care. Efforts of the Government now are to diagnose the mentally ill patients at the early stage and treat them through the general health care delivery system. Adequate medical facilities are available to treat the mentally ill patients. In order to provide increased access and better quality of mental health care, the Government's National Mental Health Programme during the Tenth Five-Year Plan envisages to expand District Mental Health Programme to cover 100 districts in the country with additional congruent districts, strengthen the 37 Government mental health institutes and also psychiatric wings of 75 medical colleges, undertake Information Education and Communication (IEC) activities and research and training. So far 94 districts have been covered under the District Mental Health Programme, funds have been released for upgradation of psychiatric wings of 9 medical colleges and strengthening of one mental health institute. Further, funds have also been released for undertaking research and IEC activities.

The Mental Health Centres in the country are being monitored by the respective State authorities under the Mental Health Act 1987 and Mental Health Rules 1990.

Delay in medical reimbursement

572. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of medical claims submitted by the pensioners in each CGHS dispensary in the Capital for reimbursement of the cost of medicines which could not be provided to them on account of frequent strikes by the Chemists during the current year;

(b) how many of them are still pending alongwith with the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether responsibility has been fixed on the officials concerned for not releasing the payment which is causing great inconvenience to pensioners?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) and (b) The status of reimbursement claims of CGHS pensioner cardholders received by the dispensaries under CGHS Delhi during the current year is given at statement (*See* below)

The pay and Accounts Office, CGHS, Rajinder Nagar, have cleared the bills received from the CGHS Zonal offices up to 5.7.2005. Approximately 46 bills have been received in the PAO during the current fortnight that is expected to be cleared by the end of July, 2005.

The receipt and clearance of the medical reimbursement claims in the CGHS is a continuous process and efforts are made to clear the same without much delay.

(c) In view of (a) and (b) above, the question does not arise.

Statement

Medical reimbursement bills under CGHS Delhi dispensary-wise

1. SOUTH ZONE

S.No.	Name of Dispensary	During the current year
1.	Andrewsganj	398
2.	Pushp Vihar	115
3.	Hauz Khas	1006
4.	Jangpura	191
5.	Kalkaji-I	4022
6.	Kalkaji-II	1362
7.	Kasturba Nagar-I	71
8.	Kasturba Nagar-II	141
9.	Kidwai Nagar	280

S.No.	Name of Dispensary	During the current year
10.	Laxmibai Nagar	145
11.	Lajpat Nagar	757
12.	Moti Bagh	123
13.	Munirka	309
14.	M.B. Road	1026
15.	Malviya Nagar	868
16.	Nanakpura	226
17.	Netaji Nagar	09
18.	Nauroji Nagar	152
19.	R.K.Puram-I	221
20.	R.K. Puram-II	277
21.	R.K. Puram-III	250
22.	R.K. Puram-IV	347
23.	R.K. Puram-V	439
24.	R.K. Puram-VI	384
25.	Sarojini Nagar-I	190
26.	Sarojini Nagar-II	27
27.	S.N. Market	64
28.	Sadiq Nagar	420
29.	Srinivaspuri	147
30.	Gurgaon	985
31.	Faridabad	2350
	Total bills received	17302
	Pending with the zone	607
2. CENTRAL ZONE		
32.	Chanakyapuri	134
33.	Chitragupta Road	126
34.	Constitution House	61
35.	Gole Market	94
36.	Kali Bari Marg	99
37.	Aliganj	107
38.	Lodi Road	199
39.	Minto Road	60
40.	North Avenue	302
42.	Paharganj	110
43.	Pragati Vihar	14
44.	President Estate	27
45.	South Avenue	20
46.	Telegraph Lane	62
47.	Dr. Z.H. Road	334
	Total bills received	2141
	Bills sent to PAO	2141
	Pendency	Nil

S.No.	Name of Dispensary	During the current year
3. EAST ZONE		
48.	Chandni Chowk	45
49.	Darya Ganj	52
50.	Laxmi Nagar	690
51.	Kingsway Camp	145
52.	Mayur Vihar	250
53.	GKG	30
54.	Shahdara	50
55.	Pul Bangesh	(Temporarily closed down)
56.	Rajpur Road	146
57.	Subzi Mandi	231
58.	Timarpur	110
59.	Vivek Vihar	20
60.	Yamuna Vihar	204
61.	Dilshad Garden	110
62.	NOIDA	Bill not received
63.	Ghaziabad	800
	Total Bills received	4036
	Total Bills cleared	3100
	Pendency	1130
4. NORTH ZONE		
64.	Ashok Vihar	938
65.	Delhi Cantt.	199
66.	Dev Nagar	242
67.	Hari Nagar	676
68.	Inderpuri	64
69.	Janakpuri-I	1689
70.	Janakpuri-II	869
71.	Karol Bagh	150
72.	Naraina	442
73.	New Rajinder Nagar	798
74.	Nangal Raya	544
75.	East Patel Nagar	204
76.	West Patel Nagar	284
77.	Pusa Road	145
78.	Palam Colony	494
79.	Pitampura	1791
80.	Rajouri Garden	896
81.	Rohini	93
82.	Paschim Vihar	494
83.	Shakurbasti	(Temporarily closed down the beneficiaries attached to CGHS Dispensaries Pitampura and Rohini)

S.No.	Name of Dispensary	During the current year
84.	Sunder Vihar	695
85.	Tilak Nagar	576
86.	Tri Nagar	206
	Total Bills received	12509
	Bills sent to PAO	12509
	Bills pendency	Nil

Allegations against MCI

†573. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that about 200 MPs of the country have levelled allegations of corruption against the Medical Council of India;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) whether Government are considering to conduct any legal enquiry into this matter; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to prevent corruption prevailing in the field of medical education?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (d) Government has been receiving both verbal and written complaints regarding the functioning of MCI from number of persons including Members of Parliament. Such complaints as and when received, are dealt as per the relevant rule provisions.

To ensure transparency and smooth functioning of MCI the Government has moved a proposal for amending the Indian Medical Council Act, 1956.

Diabetes in India

574. SHRI S. M. LALJAN BASHA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether ICMR has done any studies on the growing prevalence of diabetes amongst the younger people in India;

(b) if so, the findings of this study;

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.